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Dear Sir:

Applicants request reconsideration of the holding of abandonment set forth in the notice mailed on January 14, 2003.

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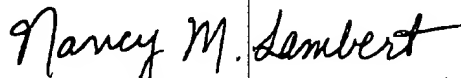
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Acknowledgment of the active status of this application is respectfully requested.

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